

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

WILLIAM J. HILL,	:	C.A. No. 08-378
	:	
Plaintiff,	:	
	:	
v.	:	
	:	
JOHN MOORE, JR.,	:	
MILLER AUTO LEASING CO., a	:	
New Jersey corporation,	:	
THOMAS COLACE COMPANY, a	:	
business located in New Jersey,	:	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED
THOMAS COLACE COMPANY,	:	
a business corporation of	:	
the State of Pennsylvania, and	:	
THE THOMAS COLACE COMPANY, LLC,	:	
a limited liability company	:	
of the State of Florida,	:	
	:	
Defendants.	:	

AMENDMENT TO COMPLAINT
REGARDING LONG-ARM SERVICE ON
DEFENDANT THOMAS COLACE COMPANY

Pursuant to Rule 4(h), now, to-wit, this 21st day of July, 2008, comes the Plaintiff by his attorneys, Schmittinger & Rodriguez, P.A., and amends the Complaint in the above-captioned case by adding thereto the following:

STATE OF DELAWARE:
: SS.
COUNTY OF SUSSEX :

BE IT REMEMBERED, that on the 21st day of July, A.D. 2008, personally came before me, the Subscriber, a Notary Public for the State and County aforesaid, David A. Boswell, Esquire, attorney for

the Plaintiff, who being sworn according to law, did depose and say the following:

1. To the best of his knowledge, Thomas Colace Company is a business corporation organized under the laws of the State of Pennsylvania, with a current address of 800 Grove Road, Thorofare, New Jersey 08086.

2. On June 24, 2008, the Complaint in the above-captioned case was filed.

3. On June 25, 2008, process server Harold K. Brode served the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware as agent for Defendant Thomas Colace Company, as the non-resident owner, operator, or driver of a motor vehicle operated on the public streets, roads, turnpikes, or highways of Delaware, pursuant to 10 Del. C. § 3112.

4. On June 25, 2008, process server Harold K. Brode filed his return, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

5. On July 2, 2008, David A. Boswell, Esquire caused a Notice, copy of the Complaint, Civil Cover Sheet, and Summons to be mailed by registered mail (registered number RE270905030US), return receipt requested to Defendant Thomas Colace Company, at the address listed with the Department of State for the State of Pennsylvania, to wit: 19 E. Oregon Avenue, Philadelphia, PA 19148.

6. On July 14, 2008, the aforesaid envelope containing said Notice was returned to the sender, your deponent, with a notation by postal authorities that stated "not deliverable as addressed unable to forward."

7. Upon further investigation, the undersigned learned that the new address for Defendant Thomas Colace Company, a Pennsylvania corporation, is 800 Grove Road, Thorofare, NJ 08086. On July 14, 2008, David A. Boswell, Esquire caused a Second Notice, copy of the Complaint, Civil Cover Sheet, and Summons, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "B", to be mailed by registered mail (registered number RE270904961US), return receipt requested to Defendant Thomas Colace Company, a Pennsylvania corporation at its new address: 800 Grove Road, Thorofare, NJ 08086.

8. On July 17, 2008, David A. Boswell, Esquire received from the postal authority the return receipt, which appears to be signed by K. Miles, agent for Defendant Thomas Colace Company. Said original return receipt is attached hereto as Exhibit "C."

9. The said receipt has the same registered number, to-wit: RE270904961US, as the receipt received at the time of the mailing of the said Notice, the original of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "D."

SCHMITTINGER & RODRIGUEZ, P.A.

BY: 

DAVID A. BOSWELL (3172)

Wachovia Bank Building
18489 Coastal Highway, Second Floor
Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971-6189
(302) 227-1400
Attorneys for Plaintiff

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED before me the day and year aforesaid.


Notary Public

SHARON L. DRAIN
NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF DELAWARE
My commission expires Feb. 8, 2012

AO 440 (Rev. 03/08) Civil Summons

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

WILLIAM J. HILL

Plaintiff

v.

JOHN MOORE, JR., et al.,

Defendant

Civil Action No. 08-378

Summons in a Civil Action

To: (Defendant's name and address)

Thomas Colace Company
Thomas Colace, President
19 E. Oregon Ave.
Philadelphia, PA 19148

A lawsuit has been filed against you.

Within 20 days after service of this summons on you (not counting the day you received it), you must serve on the plaintiff an answer to the attached complaint or a motion under Rule 12 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The answer or motion must be served on the plaintiff's attorney, whose name and address are:

If you fail to do so, judgment by default will be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. You also must file your answer or motion with the court.

JUN 24 2008

Date: _____

PETER T. DALLEO

Name of clerk of court

Peter T. Dalleo

Deputy clerk's signature

(Use 60 days if the defendant is the United States or a United States agency, or is an officer or employee of the United States allowed 60 days by Rule 12(a)(3).)

Exhibit "A"

Proof of Service

I declare under penalty of perjury that I served the summons and complaint in this case on 6/25/08,
by:

(1) personally delivering a copy of each to the individual at this place, _____;
_____ ; or

(2) leaving a copy of each at the individual's dwelling or usual place of abode with _____
who resides there and is of suitable age and discretion; or

(3) delivering a copy of each to an agent authorized by appointment or by law to receive it whose name is
Del Sec of STATES OFFICE TOWNSEND Building, Dover, Del or

(4) returning the summons unexecuted to the court clerk on N/A.

My fees are \$ _____ for travel and \$ _____ for services, for a total of \$ 0.00.

Date: 6/25/08

Harold K. Brode
Server's signature

HAROLD K. BRODE
Printed name and title

414 S. State Street
Dover, Del 19901
Server's address

302/678-5483

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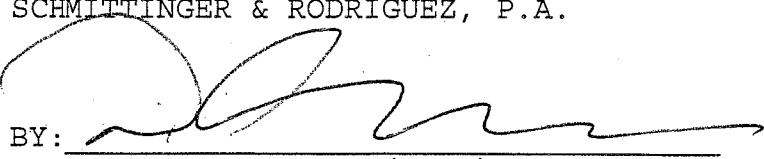
SECOND NOTICE

TO: VIA REGISTERED MAIL
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED
Thomas Colace Company
Thomas Colace, President
800 Grove Road
Thorofare, NJ 08086

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the originals of the enclosed Complaint, Civil Cover Sheet, and Summons were filed on June 24, 2008, and were served upon the Secretary of State of the State of Delaware on June 25, 2008.

Service on the Secretary of State, pursuant to 10 Del. C. § 3112, is as effectual to all intents and purposes as if it had been made upon you personally within the State of Delaware.

SCHMITTINGER & RODRIGUEZ, P.A.

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DATED: July 14, 2008

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JUN 24 2008

Date: _____

PETER T. DALLEO

Name of clerk of court

Peter T. Dalleo

Deputy clerk's signature

(Use 60 days if the defendant is the United States or a United States agency, or is an officer or employee of the United States allowed 60 days by Rule 12(a)(3).)

Proof of Service

I declare under penalty of perjury that I served the summons and complaint in this case on 6/25/08,
by:

(1) personally delivering a copy of each to the individual at this place, _____;
_____ ; or

(2) leaving a copy of each at the individual's dwelling or usual place of abode with _____
who resides there and is of suitable age and discretion; or

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Server's signature

HAROLD K. BRODE
Printed name and title

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Server's address

302/678-5483

CIVIL COVER SHEET

08-378

The JS 44 civil cover sheet and the information contained herein neither replace nor supplement the filing and service of pleadings or other papers as required by law, except as provided by local rules of court. This form, approved by the Judicial Conference of the United States in September 1974, is required for the use of the Clerk of Court for the purpose of initiating the civil docket sheet. (SEE INSTRUCTIONS ON THE REVERSE OF THE FORM.)

I. (a) PLAINTIFFS

WILLIAM J. HILL

(b) County of Residence of First Listed Plaintiff Sussex County, DE
(EXCEPT IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES)

(c) Attorney's (Firm Name, Address, and Telephone Number)

David A. Boswell, Esq., Schmittinger & Rodriguez, P.A., 18489
Coastal Highway, Second Fl., Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971-6189

DEFENDANTS

JOHN MOORE, JR., MILLER AUTO LEASING CO., THOMAS
COLACE COMPANY, et al.

County of Residence of First Listed Defendant Philadelphia County, PA
(IN U.S. PLAINTIFF CASES ONLY)

NOTE: IN LAND CONDEMNATION CASES, USE THE LOCATION OF THE
LAND INVOLVED.

Attorneys (If Known)

FILED
JUN 24
2008
CLERK OF COURT
PHILADELPHIA COUNTY, PA

II. BASIS OF JURISDICTION (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

- ☐ 1 U.S. Government Plaintiff ☐ 3 Federal Question (U.S. Government Not a Party)
- ☐ 2 U.S. Government Defendant ☒ 4 Diversity (Indicate Citizenship of Parties in Item III)

III. CITIZENSHIP OF PRINCIPAL PARTIES (Place an "X" in One Box for Plaintiff and One Box for Defendant)

- Citizen of This State ☒ 1 PTF ☐ 1 DEF Incorporated or Principal Place of Business in This State ☐ 4
- Citizen of Another State ☐ 2 ☒ 2 Incorporated and Principal Place of Business in Another State ☐ 5
- Citizen or Subject of a Foreign Country ☐ 3 ☐ 3 Foreign Nation ☐ 6 ☐ 6

IV. NATURE OF SUIT (Place an "X" in One Box Only)

CONTRACT	TORTS	FORFEITURE/PENALTY	BANKRUPTCY	OTHER STATUTES	
<input type="checkbox"/> 110 Insurance <input type="checkbox"/> 120 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 130 Miller Act <input type="checkbox"/> 140 Negotiable Instrument <input type="checkbox"/> 150 Recovery of Overpayment & Enforcement of Judgment <input type="checkbox"/> 151 Medicare Act <input type="checkbox"/> 152 Recovery of Defaulted Student Loans (Excl. Veterans) <input type="checkbox"/> 153 Recovery of Overpayment of Veteran's Benefits <input type="checkbox"/> 160 Stockholders' Suits <input type="checkbox"/> 190 Other Contract <input type="checkbox"/> 195 Contract Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 196 Franchise	PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 310 Airplane <input type="checkbox"/> 315 Airplane Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 320 Assault, Libel & Slander <input type="checkbox"/> 330 Federal Employers' Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 340 Marine <input type="checkbox"/> 345 Marine Product Liability <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 350 Motor Vehicle <input type="checkbox"/> 355 Motor Vehicle Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 360 Other Personal Injury	PERSONAL INJURY <input type="checkbox"/> 362 Personal Injury - Med. Malpractice <input type="checkbox"/> 365 Personal Injury - Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 368 Asbestos Personal Injury Product Liability PERSONAL PROPERTY <input type="checkbox"/> 370 Other Fraud <input type="checkbox"/> 371 Truth in Lending <input type="checkbox"/> 380 Other Personal Property Damage <input type="checkbox"/> 385 Property Damage Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> 610 Agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> 620 Other Food & Drug <input type="checkbox"/> 625 Drug Related Seizure of Property 21 USC 881 <input type="checkbox"/> 630 Liquor Laws <input type="checkbox"/> 640 R.R. & Truck <input type="checkbox"/> 650 Airline Regs. <input type="checkbox"/> 660 Occupational Safety/Health <input type="checkbox"/> 690 Other LABOR <input type="checkbox"/> 710 Fair Labor Standards Act <input type="checkbox"/> 720 Labor/Mgmt. Relations <input type="checkbox"/> 730 Labor/Mgmt. Reporting & Disclosure Act <input type="checkbox"/> 740 Railway Labor Act <input type="checkbox"/> 790 Other Labor Litigation <input type="checkbox"/> 791 Empl. Ret. Inc. Security Act IMMIGRATION <input type="checkbox"/> 462 Naturalization Application <input type="checkbox"/> 463 Habeas Corpus - Alien Detainee <input type="checkbox"/> 465 Other Immigration Actions	<input type="checkbox"/> 422 Appeal 28 USC 158 <input type="checkbox"/> 423 Withdrawal 28 USC 157 PROPERTY RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 820 Copyrights <input type="checkbox"/> 830 Patent <input type="checkbox"/> 840 Trademark SOCIAL SECURITY <input type="checkbox"/> 861 HIA (1395ff) <input type="checkbox"/> 862 Black Lung (923) <input type="checkbox"/> 863 DIWC/DIWW (405(g)) <input type="checkbox"/> 864 SSID Title XVI <input type="checkbox"/> 865 RSI (405(g)) FEDERAL TAX SUITS <input type="checkbox"/> 870 Taxes (U.S. Plaintiff or Defendant) <input type="checkbox"/> 871 IRS—Third Party 26 USC 7609	<input type="checkbox"/> 400 State Reapportionment <input type="checkbox"/> 410 Antitrust <input type="checkbox"/> 430 Banks and Banking <input type="checkbox"/> 450 Commerce <input type="checkbox"/> 460 Deportation <input type="checkbox"/> 470 Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations <input type="checkbox"/> 480 Consumer Credit <input type="checkbox"/> 490 Cable/Sat TV <input type="checkbox"/> 810 Selective Service <input type="checkbox"/> 850 Securities/Commodities/Exchange <input type="checkbox"/> 875 Customer Challenge 12 USC 3410 <input type="checkbox"/> 890 Other Statutory Actions <input type="checkbox"/> 891 Agricultural Acts <input type="checkbox"/> 892 Economic Stabilization Act <input type="checkbox"/> 893 Environmental Matters <input type="checkbox"/> 894 Energy Allocation Act <input type="checkbox"/> 895 Freedom of Information Act <input type="checkbox"/> 900 Appeal of Fee Determination Under Equal Access to Justice <input type="checkbox"/> 950 Constitutionality of State Statutes
REAL PROPERTY <input type="checkbox"/> 210 Land Condemnation <input type="checkbox"/> 220 Foreclosure <input type="checkbox"/> 230 Rent Lease & Ejectment <input type="checkbox"/> 240 Torts to Land <input type="checkbox"/> 245 Tort Product Liability <input type="checkbox"/> 290 All Other Real Property	CIVIL RIGHTS <input type="checkbox"/> 441 Voting <input type="checkbox"/> 442 Employment <input type="checkbox"/> 443 Housing/Accommodations <input type="checkbox"/> 444 Welfare <input type="checkbox"/> 445 Amer. w/Disabilities - Employment <input type="checkbox"/> 446 Amer. w/Disabilities - Other <input type="checkbox"/> 440 Other Civil Rights	PRISONER PETITIONS <input type="checkbox"/> 510 Motions to Vacate Sentence Habeas Corpus: <input type="checkbox"/> 530 General <input type="checkbox"/> 535 Death Penalty <input type="checkbox"/> 540 Mandamus & Other <input type="checkbox"/> 550 Civil Rights <input type="checkbox"/> 555 Prison Condition			

V. ORIGIN

(Place an "X" in One Box Only)

- ☒ 1 Original Proceeding ☐ 2 Removed from State Court ☐ 3 Remanded from Appellate Court ☐ 4 Reinstated or Reopened ☐ 5 Transferred from another district (specify) ☐ 6 Multidistrict Litigation ☐ 7 Appeal to District Judge from Magistrate Judgement

VI. CAUSE OF ACTION

Cite the U.S. Civil Statute under which you are filing (Do not cite jurisdictional statutes unless diversity):

28 USC § 1332(a) (Diversity)

Brief description of cause:

Personal injuries sustained in motor vehicle collision

VII. REQUESTED IN COMPLAINT:

☐ CHECK IF THIS IS A CLASS ACTION UNDER F.R.C.P. 23

DEMAND \$

Unliquidated damages

CHECK YES only if demanded in complaint:
JURY DEMAND: ☒ Yes ☐ No

VIII. RELATED CASE(S) IF ANY

(See instructions):

JUDGE

DOCKET NUMBER

DATE

June 23, 2008

SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OF RECORD

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

RECEIPT #

AMOUNT

APPLYING IFP

JUDGE

MAG. JUDGE

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THE THOMAS COLACE COMPANY, LLC,
a limited liability company
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Defendants.

C.A. No. 08-378

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

FILED
U.S. DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF DELAWARE
2008 JUN 24 PM 2:59

C O M P L A I N T

COMES NOW Plaintiff William J. Hill (Plaintiff), by and through his attorneys, David A. Boswell, Esquire, and Schmittinger and Rodriguez, P.A., and hereby pleads and states:

PARTIES

1. Plaintiff William J. Hill is a resident of Delaware, residing at 33038 Bi State Boulevard, Laurel, Delaware 19956.

2. Defendant John Moore, Jr. is a resident of Pennsylvania, with a last known address of 7104 Eastwood Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19149.

3. Defendant Miller Auto Leasing Co. (Miller) is an entity with its principal place of business located in the State of New Jersey, identified in the State of Delaware Uniform Traffic

Collision Report No. 84-06-001063 as the owner of the vehicle that caused the collision in question in this lawsuit, with an address of 1592 Route 38, Lumberton, New Jersey 08048, believed to be a New Jersey domestic profit corporation, whose registered agent is Charles S. Miller, Box 617, 1824 Rt 38, Lumberton, NJ 08048. If any defendant denies the allegation of the incorporation and existence of this corporation, then such denial shall be by affidavit which fully complies with 10 Del. C. § 3915, and which shall state to the best of the affiant's knowledge whether there is any corporation existing which has a relationship to the subject matter of this action.

4. Defendant Thomas Colace Company, aka Thomas Colace Co. (NJ Colace), is an entity with its principal place of business located in the State of New Jersey, identified in the State of Delaware Uniform Traffic Collision Report No. 84-06-001063 as the carrier for the the vehicle that caused the collision in question in this lawsuit, with an address of 1592 Route 38, Lumberton, New Jersey 08048.

5. Defendant Thomas Colace Company (PA Colace) is a business corporation organized under the laws of the State of Pennsylvania, with a registered office located at Northeast Corner of Oregon Avenue and Swanson Streets, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The President of PA Colace is Thomas Colace, with a registered address of 19 E. Oregon Ave, Philadelphia, PA 19148. If any defendant denies the allegation of the incorporation and existence of this corporation, then such denial shall be by affidavit which fully

complies with 10 Del. C. § 3915, and which shall state to the best of the affiant's knowledge whether there is any corporation existing which has a relationship to the subject matter of this action.

6. Defendant The Thomas Colace Company, LLC (FL Colace) is a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of Florida, with a principal address of 315 East New Market Road, Immokalee, Florida 34142, and with the registered agent: Guy E. Whitesman, 1715 Monroe Street, Fort Myers, FL 33901. This entity is also registered to do business in the State of Pennsylvania as a foreign corporation, with the registered agent: Corporation Service Company, 2704 Commerce Drive, Harrisburg, PA 17110. This entity's managers and members, identified as Better Fruits & Vegetables, LLC, Sheryl A. Weisinger, Max Press, Jaime Weisinger, Peter Dessak, and Toby K. Purse, are all residents of states other than Delaware, and are believed to be entities of or residents of Florida. If any defendant denies the allegation of the incorporation and existence of this entity, then such denial shall be by affidavit which fully complies with 10 Del. C. § 3915, and which shall state to the best of the affiant's knowledge whether there is any entity existing which has a relationship to the subject matter of this action.

NATURE OF ACTION, JURISDICTION & VENUE

7. This is a personal injury action arising out of a motor vehicle collision which occurred on July 18, 2006, in the vicinity of Millsboro, Sussex County, State of Delaware. Plaintiff has

already incurred in excess of \$60,370.81 in lost wages and medical bills (see Exhibit A), and the damages for which relief is sought herein exceed \$75,000, exclusive of interest and costs.

8. Plaintiff is a resident of the State of Delaware. Defendant Moore is a resident of the State of Pennsylvania. The defendant corporations and defendant limited liability companies are all organized under the laws of states other than Delaware, with their principal places of business located in states other than Delaware, as alleged above herein: Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Florida. In addition, the members of the defendant limited liability company are all non-residents of the State of Delaware.

9. By virtue of the complete diversity of citizenship between Plaintiff and each of the Defendants hereto, and the amount in controversy exceeding \$75,000, this Court has original jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1332(a).

10. The motor vehicle collision causing Plaintiff's injuries took place in Delaware, rendering venue appropriate under 28 U.S.C. § 1391(a)(2).

FACTS

11. On July 18, 2006, at approximately 3:41 pm, Plaintiff William J. Hill was operating a 2002 Mack dump truck, owned by Melvin L. Joseph Construction Company, in a northerly direction in the right lane of US 113 in Millsboro, Sussex County, Delaware.

12. At the same time and place, Defendant John Moore, Jr., who was in the scope and course of his employment with one or more of the Defendants, was operating a 2007 Freightliner tractor

trailer truck, owned by one or more of the Defendants, in a northerly direction on US 113 behind the Plaintiff.

13. As Plaintiff Hill drove the dump truck in the right lane of US 113, decelerating in an orderly fashion while approaching a red light at the intersection of US 113 and State Route 24, Defendant Moore crashed into the rear of the Plaintiff's dump truck.

14. The severe impact of the collision pushed the Plaintiff's dump truck off of the highway, over a curb, into a parking lot, and into concrete pillars, and rendered it inoperable.

15. At all times pertinent to this matter, Defendants Miller Auto Leasing Company, NJ Colace, PA Colace, and FL Colace (hereinafter collectively referred to as "Corporate Defendants"), did, together, own, control, and maintain the 2007 Freightliner tractor trailer truck operated by Defendant Moore.

16. At all times pertinent to this matter, and at the time of the collision described above, Defendant John Moore, Jr. was acting as a servant, agent, or employee of the Corporate Defendants; and was operating the aforesaid 2007 Freightliner tractor trailer truck in and about the course of his duties as a servant, agent, or employee, of the Corporate Defendants. If these allegations are denied, Plaintiff demands that each Defendant's denial be supported by affidavit. Said affidavit must set forth the factual basis for the denial and otherwise comply with the requirements of 10 Del. C. § 3916.

COUNT ONE

17. This motor vehicle collision was directly and proximately caused by the negligence of Defendant John Moore, Jr., who was negligent and negligent per se in that:

(a) He failed to give full time and attention to the operation of the 2007 Freightliner tractor trailer truck in violation of 21 Del. C. § 4176(b);

(b) He operated the 2007 Freightliner tractor trailer truck in a careless or imprudent manner without due regard for road and traffic conditions then existing on US 113, in violation of 21 Del. C. § 4176(a);

(c) He operated the 2007 Freightliner tractor trailer truck at a speed greater than was reasonable and prudent under the conditions that existed at the time of the collision, and he failed to have due regard for the actual and potential hazards then existing in violation of 21 Del. C. § 4176(b);

(d) He failed to maintain a proper lookout while operating the 2007 Freightliner tractor trailer truck in violation of 21 Del. C. § 4176(b);

(e) He failed to exercise and maintain proper control of the 2007 Freightliner tractor trailer truck; and

(f) He was otherwise negligent in causing the 2007 Freightliner tractor trailer truck to crash into the Plaintiff's truck.

18. This motor vehicle collision was directly and proximately caused by the wilful or wanton conduct of Defendant John Moore,

Jr., who wilfully or wantonly drove the 2007 Freightliner tractor trailer into the vehicle operated by Plaintiff.

19. The Corporate Defendants are vicariously liable to Plaintiff for Defendant Moore's negligence, negligence per se, or wilful or wanton conduct that caused harm to Plaintiff pursuant to the doctrine of respondeat superior.

20. As owners of the 2007 Freightliner tractor trailer truck, the Corporate Defendants had a duty to exercise reasonable care to protect others from the injury which could be caused by this instrumentality's misuse, and to maintain this instrumentality for safe usage upon the roadways.

21. The Corporate Defendants breached their duty by failing to exercise reasonable care in permitting and providing this vehicle to be driven by Defendant Moore, and by failing to maintain the vehicle so that it could be driven safely on the roadway. More specifically, the Corporate Defendants negligently entrusted and permitted the usage of the subject 2007 Freightliner tractor trailer truck by a driver they knew, or should have known, would drive the truck in a manner inconsistent with the standards of care identified above herein.

DAMAGES

22. As a direct and proximate result of Defendants' negligence, Plaintiff William J. Hill suffered serious bodily injuries, sustained and experienced great pain, suffering, and discomfort of body and mind in the past, including an injury to the right shoulder which required surgery on December 14, 2007, and

will continue to sustain and experience great pain, suffering, and discomfort of body and mind in the future from these injuries.

23. As a further direct and proximate result of Defendants' negligence, Plaintiff William J. Hill incurred medical expenses in the past, and will incur additional medical expenses in the future for the care and treatment of the injuries he sustained in that collision.

24. As a further direct and proximate result of Defendants' negligence, Plaintiff William J. Hill has incurred lost wages in the past, and will incur lost wages in the future.

25. By virtue of Defendants' wilful or wanton conduct causing injury to Plaintiff, an award of exemplary or punitive damages is appropriate.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff William J. Hill demands judgment against Defendants, jointly and severally, for his compensatory damages, generally, including pain and suffering, special damages including past and future medical bills and lost wages, exemplary damages, the costs of this action, attorneys' fees, pre- and post-judgment interest, and such other relief as is just and equitable.

Plaintiff further demands trial by jury of twelve.

SCHMITTINGER & RODRIGUEZ, P.A.

BY: 

DAVID A. BOSWELL (3172)
Wachovia Bank Building
18489 Coastal Highway, 2nd Floor
Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971-6189
(302) 227-1400
Attorneys for Plaintiff

DATED: June 23, 2008

Attachment: Exhibit A: Statement of Lost Wages and Medical Bills

EXHIBIT AMedical Expenses:

<u>DATE</u>	<u>MEDICAL PROVIDER</u>	<u>ACCT. AMT.</u>	<u>PIP</u>	<u>W/C</u>
07/18/06	Millsboro Vol. Fire	481.00	481.00	
07/18/06	Nanticoke Memorial	6,029.00	6,029.00	
07/21/06-	Laurel Medical Group	420.00	420.00	
10/03/06				
08/07/06-	Nanticoke Memorial	4,168.00	4,168.00	
11/07/06				
09/07/06	Nanticoke Radiology	901.00	901.00	
10/05/06	Nanticoke Memorial	1,901.00	1,901.00	
10/05/06	Nanticoke Radiology	289.00		
10/23/06	Dickinson Medical Group	834.00	834.00	
10/30/06	Nanticoke Memorial	194.00	194.00	
11/06/06	Dickinson Medical Group	89.00	89.00	
01/11/07	Wide Open MRI of Sal.	1,035.00	1,035.00	
01/08/07	Nanticoke Memorial	140.00	140.00	
05/03/07	Peninsula Orthopaedic	177.00	177.00	
11/30/07	Delmarva Heart	249.00		249.00
12/14/07	Peninsula Orthopaedic	23,440.00		23,440.00
12/14/07	Associates Anesthes.	1,050.00		1,050.00
12/14/07	Peninsula Orthopaedic	5,818.81		5,818.81
12/21/07	Peninsula Orthopaedic	124.00		124.00
12/21/07	Peninsula Orthopaedic	89.00		89.00
01/18/08-	Southern DE Sports	1,937.00		1,937.00
04/17/08	Care & Rehab.			
03/14/08	Peninsula Orthopaedic	83.00		83.00
=====				
<u>TOTAL MEDICAL BILLS:</u>		<u>\$49,448.81</u>	<u>\$16,369.00</u>	<u>\$32,790.81</u>

<u>Lost Wages:</u>	<u>PIP</u>	<u>W/C</u>
07/24/06-11/06/06	1,902.00	
11/07/06-03/28/07	1,196.26	
02/15/08		3,221.54
03/04/08		920.44
03/11/08		920.44
04/01/08		920.44
04/14/08		920.44
04/28/08		920.44
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<u>TOTAL:</u>	<u>\$3,098.26</u>	<u>\$7,823.74</u>
<u>TOTAL LOST WAGES:</u>	<u>\$10,922.00</u>	

TOTAL MEDICAL BILLS & LOST WAGES: \$60,370.81

SENDER: COMPLETE THIS SECTION		COMPLETE THIS SECTION ON DELIVERY	
<p>■ Complete items 1, 2, and 3. Also complete item 4 if Restricted Delivery is desired.</p> <p>■ Print your name and address on the reverse so that we can return the card to you.</p> <p>■ Attach this card to the back of the mailpiece, or on the front if space permits.</p>		<p>A. Signature <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> <i>[Signature]</i> <input type="checkbox"/> Agent <input type="checkbox"/> Addressee</p>	
<p>1. Article Addressed to:</p> <p>Thomas Glace Company Thomas Glace, President 800 Grove Road Thorofare, NJ 08086</p>		<p>B. Received by (Printed Name)</p>	<p>C. Date of Delivery 7-15</p>
<p>2. Article (Transf.)</p> <p>RE 270 904 961 US</p>		<p>D. Is delivery address different from item 1? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes If YES, enter delivery address below: <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><i>[Circular Postmark: JUL 15 2008]</i></p>	
		<p>3. Service type</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Certified Mail <input type="checkbox"/> Express Mail <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Registered <input type="checkbox"/> Return Receipt for Merchandise <input type="checkbox"/> Insured Mail <input type="checkbox"/> C.O.D.</p>	
		<p>4. Restricted Delivery? (Extra Fee) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p>	
<p>PS Form 3811, February 2004 Domestic Return Receipt 102595-02-M-1540</p>			

Exhibit "C"

UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE

SOUTH JERSEY NJ 080



First-Class Mail
Postage & Fees Paid
USPS
Permit No. G-10

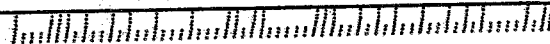
Re: H&B JUL 2008 PM 1 T

• Sender: Please print your name, address, and ZIP+4 in this box •

SCHMITTINGER AND RODRIGUEZ, P.A.

RECEIVED
WACHOVIA BANK BLDG.
18489 COASTAL HIGHWAY, 2nd FLR.
JUL 17 2008 REHOBOTH BEACH, DE 19971

BY: DAB



— Registered No. —

Date Stamp —

To Be Completed By Post Office	Reg. Fee	\$RE27090498	
	Handling Charge	\$10.00	Return Receipt \$
	Postage	\$0.00	Restricted Delivery \$2.20
	Received by	\$1.17	\$0.00
To Be Completed By Customer (Please Print) All Entries Must Be in Ballpoint or Typed	Customer Must Declare Full Value \$	<input type="checkbox"/> With Postal Insurance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Without Postal Insurance	
	FROM	Schmittinger & Rodriguez, P.A. Wachovia Bank Building 18489 Coastal Highway, Second Floor Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971-6189	
	TO	Thomas Colace Company Thomas Colace, President 800 Grove Road Thorofare, NJ 08086	

Domestic Insurance up to \$25,000 is included in the fee. International Indemnity is limited. (See Reverse).

PS Form 3806, June 2002

Receipt for Registered Mail

Copy 1 - Customer
(See Information on Reverse)For delivery information, visit our website at www.usps.com®

Exhibit "D"